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gambling interests outside this state who make equipment, who operate or manage gambling programs, see states like Nebraska as And that's what has been done. In this ripe to be picked. instance we have a bill and the bill itself and the arguments in favor of it will establish how the allure of gambling starts even a state down the path from which it cannot recover itself. People will say, well, maybe it wasn't a good thing to have the lottery; maybe it wasn't a good thing to have these scratch cards and other things that are legal. But now that they're here and you're caught in the net, you have to go even further and you have to improve the game. You have to make more people willing to gamble. As Senator Jensen pointed out, next year another one of these interests will come to be treated fairly, And if one is given a fraction of a centimeter then another. more of a break than the other, that leads them who did not get the break to say, well, make us even. And you can never make it completely even. That's why people who have a moustache and an unsteady hand should never try to trim it himself. And if you don't have a good eye, you shouldn't because you very carefully trim the part on the right side, then you trim the part on the left side, but invariably you take off more than is necessary to make it even because your eye and your hand are not trained to coordinate and make just enough removal of hair to have an even line across your entire moustache. So it's a little less on the right than on the left and you keep doing that until pretty soon you're clean shaven. You know how Hitler avoided doing that? He told his barber to just take a pair of pliers and pull what he could off from ... out from each side ...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and that's how he wound up with what he had. He got his moustache trimmed with pliers. And Senator Bourne is frowning. Do you see anybody else with a moustache like that unless it's painted on because they can't stand the pain. But at any rate, everything I'm saying is designed to show that the state has behaved in a very, very unwise manner. I cannot undo all that the state has done, but each time they try to take a step that is going to aggravate the situation, I will do what I can to make that step unsuccessful. I understand that a kill motion is pending, so I'm not going to offer another